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Disposition of Claims				
4) ☐ Claim(s) 1,15 and 19-27 is/are pending in the a 4a) Of the above claim(s) 24-27 is/are withdraw 5) ☐ Claim(s) is/are allowed. 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1, 15 and 19-23 is/are rejected. 7) ☐ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) ☐ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/o  Application Papers 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examine	vn from consideration. r election requirement.			
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119				
<ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>				
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#### DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1, 15 and 19 to 27 are pending in the application.

Receipt is acknowledged of the amendment filed April 6, 2010, which has been entered in the file.

### Response to Amendment

The finality of the previous office action is withdrawn in view of the new rejections that follow.

#### Election/Restrictions

Claims 24 to 27 stand withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim.

Election was made without traverse in the reply filed on January 16, 2009.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and

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use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claims 1, 15, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

There is no antecedent basis in the specification as originally filed for R being alkylaryl or alkylhetaryl as is now claimed. The specification only supports R being  $C_{1-3}$ alkylhetaryl and  $C_{1-3}$ alkylhetaryl.

To overcome this rejection, the definition of R in claim 1 should be amended by replacing "alkylaryl" with "aryl" and replacing "alkylhetaryl" with "hetaryl".

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claims 1, 15 and 19 to 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to

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particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The claims are indefinite because the proviso in claim 1 excludes certain  $R^3$  when -Y-Z represents  $-C(NH)-(CH_2)_mNR-$ . However, -Y-Z- is cannot be  $-C(NH)-(CH_2)_mNR-$ .

In claim 21, the phrase "the group consisting of" should be inserted after "from" and an "and" should be inserted between the last two compounds listed for proper Markush format.

In claim 22, the phrase "the group consisting of" should be inserted after "from" and an "and" should be inserted between the last two compounds listed for proper Markush format.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

Claims 1, 15, 19 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Nakamura et al. (CA 2465382), cited.

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The reference discloses the claimed pharmaceutical compositions comprising a compound of instant formula I and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier where the compound corresponds to instant formula I where Z is a bond; and R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>1-4</sub>alkylaryl. Note, for example, Compound Nos. 5-15, 5-16, 5-17, 5-18 and 5-19 on pages 196 to 197; page 33, lines 22 to 31; and Sections 12 to 20 on page 48, line 29 to page 50, line 1.

# Response to Arguments

The rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph and 102(e) has been overcome by applicants amendment and/or argument.

Applicants request rejoinder of withdrawn method claims 24 to 27. However, since the product claims are not allowable, the method claims 24-27 will not be rejoined at this time.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Fiona T. Powers whose telephone number is 571-272-0702. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon & Wed 6:15 am - 5:45 pm and Tues & Thurs 6:00 am - 3:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph K. McKane can be

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